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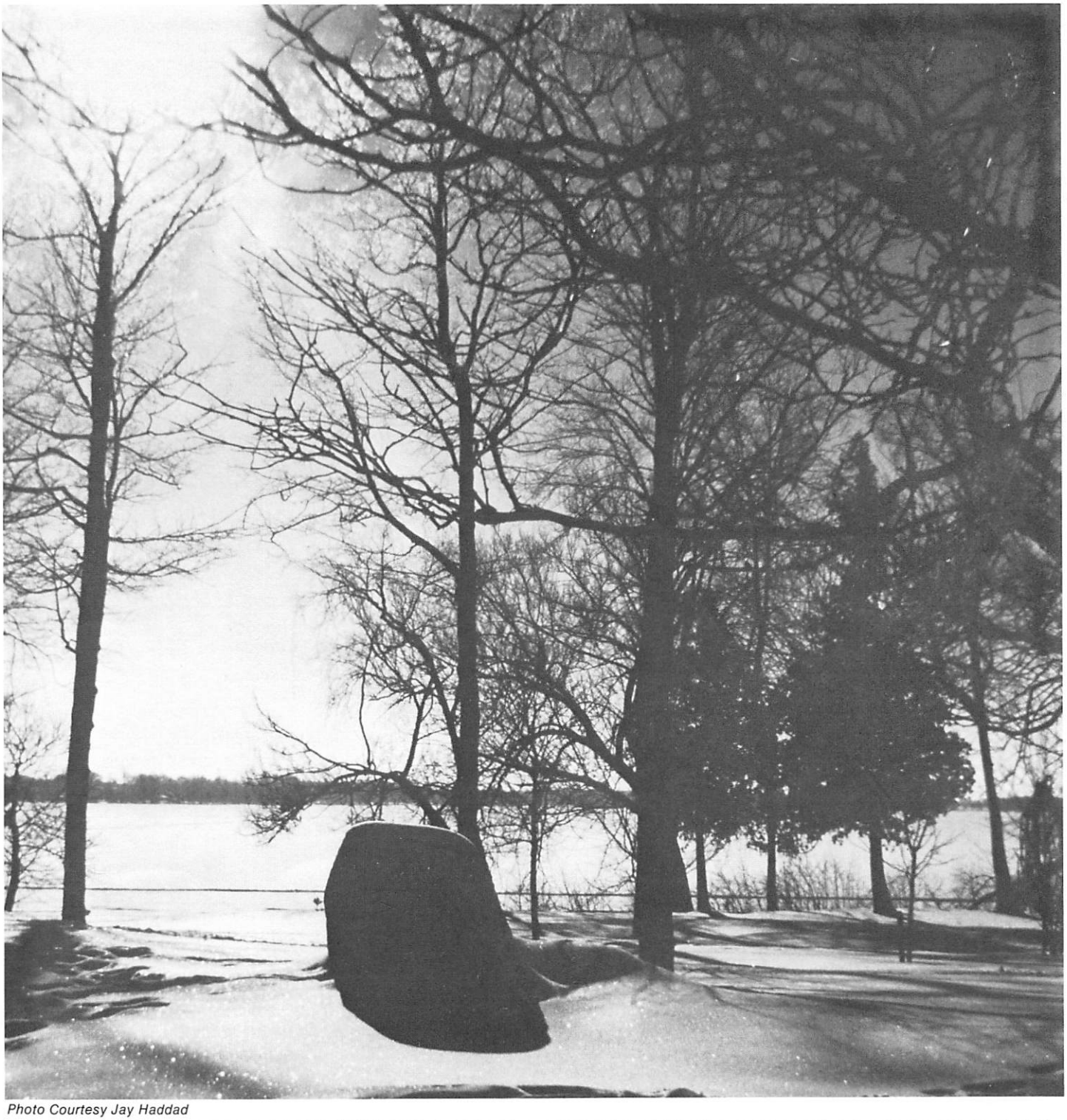

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Canadian Camping:

Congratulations on your first issue of Canadian Camping with its new format. A very readable and good issue.

Charles Plewman interview was excellent and provided a great insight to the beginnings of the camping movement in Canada. He indeed was a great man and a leader in the field.

Keep up the good work!

Your editorial on Camp Director Certification THE TIME IS NOW! Raises a whole debate that has been going on in bits and pieces for years. I think that there are a whole series of questions that must be answered before we even consider the Certification of Camp Directors. At the beginnings of the Society of Camp Directors we had great discussions on the role of government in camping, we talked about the specialized, specific body of knowledge that is necessary before one could even begin to talk about a "profession" and all that signifies for camps and camping. We in Ontario seem to have a tendency to think that all camping in Canada is the same . . . in reality it isn't! There are whole degrees of difference in sophistication in camping in Canada. I have no difficulty at all in seeing the Camping Associations as educational and inspirational organizations but I have some real trouble when we start into the business of regulating the industry and that is what a program of National Standards or Certification will do.

I feel very strongly that we cloud the issue when we talk about protecting the general public. It is a symptom of our times that "the poor old general public" is too dumb to protect itself! We give whole reams of "How to Pick a Camp for Your Child" and I wonder how many parents take the time to do the job properly? I guess what I am hearing is that we the noble Camp Director will have to take "parents" by the hand and protect them from themselves. If "camping" was a high profit business that attracted unscrupulous operators I would be concerned, but that is not so, all that wheeler-dealers have to do is look at the balance sheets of most Camps in Canada and they couldn't run fast enough to stay out of the business.

I believe that we have our share of incompetent Camp Directors, who have insufficient knowledge to do a real quality job but I do not believe we have people who are taking the public or trying to do less than a good job. I know some of our numbers who claim ten years experience in camping but in reality have had one year ten times . . .we have to grow in the business and the only way we can do it as a movement, is through educating those who wish to work as Camp Directors, the only way this can be done, is how we have been successfully doing it for 80 years and that is to help those who will learn and know that those who don't will fall by the wayside.

I am all in favour of guidelines and many, many sessions so that all may grow . . . but certification and all it implies . . . now is not the time and I do not believe that we will ever see that time being ripe!

Warmest regards,

Ron Johnstone

Dear Canadian Camping:

The new format looks good. Hope you can keep the style up - must be more expensive.

Re: your editorial - The American Camping Association Certification system seems cumbersome to me - too many levels and a rat's nest to administer, I would think.

I have always thought certification of Directors is at least as important as the Facilities/Program standards approach. Assuring competent staff makes as much sense as do most provincial standards programs.

The topic has been considered for years though and the problem is usually the "How" to do, rather than the "Why". Camping people are diverse and what may be a high standard for one may be a very low standard for another. Certainly, the exercise of determining the best qualification for a Director and the development of some training approaches appropriate for these qualifications, would be most helpful for serious individuals who want to improve their competence and achieve recognition in this field.

Guidelines from the National body might assist local associations prepare training events that could develop one day into a certification program.

All the best,

Lorne Bowering
President
British Columbia Camping Association.

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Editorial Policy

The ideas expressed in the Editorial are those of the Editorial Committee and not necessarily those of the Canadian Camping Association/Association des Camps du Canada. The views are expressed to provide stimulation and comment. We invite you to respond in "Letters to the Editor" which we hope will be a regular feature. ●

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EDITORIAL

Competition in Camps: Values in Turmoil!

Does camping mirror the society in which we live - reflecting our urban values, material gain, class-consciousness and self-serving ambitions? Or should camping help create new ideals among our young people - a sense of esteem, altruism, higher-serving values in order to enrich and enhance our emotional, psychological and spiritual well-being?

To the degree we believe in the latter, we must NOT tolerate competition, as we know it, in our camps, because it undermines those higher values we profess to believe in and perpetuate. As soon as a race is organized with ten children where one child wins, you have nine losers; if four relay teams compete, three are losers; if you have a first prize, you have losers!

Let's examine the word "loser". In our culture we react to "losers" with put-downs, undermining of confidence, disparagement and embarrassment. Nobody wants to be called a "loser"; indeed, nobody wants to BE a "loser". And yet our cities, through competition, create losers - MILLIONS OF THEM! Our camps, unfortunately, are doing the same thing!

Awards, prizes, badges, competition, material success should all be discouraged in camp programming. Our standard really should be co-operation, intrinsic motivation, individual levels, peer teaching and ego enhancement. If we say that out camps should reflect society and that camps should prepare children for survival within that society - we must ask "survival for what?" To the extent we are reflecting and modelling our society, we can expect our campers to reflect a society which increasingly uses alcohol, tobacco, drugs; we can expect increased heart diesase, stress, tension, psychosomatic illness, aggression, apathy and fatigue; we can expect a continued increase in the largest growing suicide category: 14 years of age to 25 years of age! One child in three under the age of 14 in North America is sexually active - we should expect an increase! Depression, anxiety, suicide, truancy, family breakdown, lack of spirituality, lack of a strong self-concept! This is our reality! Is this the society our camps are trying so hard to reflect? Of course we're all "losers" - and when the heroes or "winners" of our time are people like John McEnroe and Brooke Shields, our values indeed are in critical need of re-examination!

We urge all camps to examine carefully their values and philosophy. Is your camp programme reflecting those values and philosophies?

1) Eliminate competition and challenges where you have winners and losers.
2) If a child does succeed in a task or event, do not give a material reward; rather, praise and reinforce that she has done her very best.
3) Encourage co-operation and sharing: through tasks, chores, canoe trips, responsibilities, games and challenges.
4) Try to ensure that the game, activity or skill is an "end" in itself (toward co-operation, sharing and ego enhancement) and not a "means" toward the end - namely WINNING.
5) Never belittle or berate a person; a behaviour or remark, yes; the person, never. This difference is critical!

Competition, as we know it, is a destructive force in our society - it should NOT be tolerated, reinforced or accepted in our camps! ●

L'esprit de compétition dans les camps perturbe nos valeurs

Les camps reflètent-ils la société dans laquelle nous vivons? Laissent-ils transparaître nos habitudes urbaines, nos gains matériels, notre esprit de caste et nos ambitions personnelles? Ne doivent-ils pas plutôt faire naître chez les jeunes des aspirations qui les enrichissent et les élèvent sur le plan émotionnel, psychologique et spiritual, tels le sens de l'estime, de l'altruisme et le désir de faire oeuvre utile?

Dans la mesure où nous avons foi en ces notions nous ne devons PAS tolérer la compétition dans nos camps telle que nous la concevons, car elle mine les valeurs élevées auxquelles nous disons croire et que nous voulons perpétuer. Dès que s'organise une course entre dix enfants où il n'y aura qu'un seul gagnant, nous avons neuf perdants. Si quatre équipes entrent en lice, trois perdent. Qui dit premier prix dit perdants!

Examinons le mot "perdant." Dans notre société actuelle, ce mot est synomyme d'humiliation, de perte de confiance, de dénigrement de d'embarras. Personne ne veut être appelé "perdant" et encore moins l'ÊTRE. Pourtant, par le truchement de la compétition, nous fabriquons des perdants dans notre société urbaine et ce, PAR MILLIONS! Pour comble de malheur nous faisons de même dans nos camps.

Nous devrions bannir de nos programmes pour les jeunes: trophées, prix, insignes, compétitions et autres gages de succès. Au lieu, nous devrions encourager l'esprit de collaboration, la motivation, l'atteinte d'objectifs personnels, l'entraide et la valorisation de soi. S'il est vrai que nos camps doivent refléter notre société et préparer nos enfants à survivre demain à son image, nous pouvons bien nous demander "dans quel but". Dans la mesure où nos camps sont un miroir de la société actuelle, c'est un tissu social qui fait un usage croissant d'alcool, de tabac et de drogue que nous prenons pour modèle. Nous pouvons nous attendre à une augmentation du stress, de la fatigue, de l'apathie, de l'agressivité, des maladies psychosomatiques et des troubles cardiaques. Nous pouvons prévoir un taux plus élevé de suicide entre les âges de 14 et 25 ans. Un enfant sur trois de moins de 14 ans a des relations sexuelles en Amérique du Nord et les chiffres pourraient encore augmenter! La dépression, l'anxiété, le suicide, l'école buissonnière, les désunions des familles, le manque d'idéologie le manque de conception de soi . . . telle est la réalité vers laquelle nous nous acheminons. Est-ce ce modèle que nos camps désirent suivre à tout prix? Nous sommes tous "perdants" et lorsque les héros ou les gagnants de notre époque sont des John McEnroe and des René Simard, il est grand temps de réexaminer nos valeurs.

Nous vous conseillons vivement de repenser votre philosophie et vos conceptions des valeurs. Le programme de votre camp est-il établi en fonction des principes suivants?

1) Nous évitons la compétition et les défis où il y a des gagnants et des perdants.
2) Nous n'accordons pas de prix lorsqu'un enfant réussit dans l'accomplissement d'une tâche et d'un sport. Au lieu, nous le félicitons et lui disons qu'il a fait de son mieux.
3) Nous incitons les jeunes à développer un esprit de collaboration et de partage dans l'exécution de travaux, de tâches, de voyages en canot, de jeux ou d'épreuves sportives.
4) Nous nous assurons que les jeux, activités sportives ou épreuves d'adresse servent à une autre fin que celle de procurer une récompense (encourager l'esprit de collaboration et de partage et la satisfaction de soi.)
5) Nous ne rabaissons jamais l'enfant, nous ne l'admonestons pas. Nous passons un jugement ou une remarque sur sa conduite, mais sur sa personne, jamais. La différence est énorme!

L'esprit de compétition, c'est bien connu, est une force destructive dans notre société. Nous ne devons pas le tolérer, l'encourager, voire même l'accepter dans nos camps. ●

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INTERVIEW

On March 8, 1980, Jay Haddad interviewed ***June Labbett*** *at the Royal York Hotel. The following are excerpts from that interview:*

CCA: *June, where was your first camping experience?*

JL: As a little girl, my first experience was Camp Ahshunyoong on Lake Simcoe; next I went to Oconto. I was about 12 years old at that time. When I was around 17 years old I was in physical and health education and I went to another camp to get some experience - that camp was Glen Bernard.

CCA: *Do you clearly remember your first camp director at Oconto?*

JL: Miss Halliday - I remember her very well; she started Camp Oconto in 1925. When I later returned to Camp Oconto, it was when Cliff and I were married and we took over from Miss Halliday in 1949. She was there that summer with us.

CCA: *Who was your Director during your 3 years at Glen Bernard?*

JL: Miss Edgar was the Director. I was also a Counsellor at a camp called Drades on Lake Simcoe - that was Roy Bonisteel, who's now a television personality; his wife ran that camp. I worked at the Y.W.C.A. as physical education teacher; part of my job was to direct Tapawingo - I did that for 4 years.

CCA: *Was this your first experience at Directing?*

JL: Yes, - Camp Tapawingo and I think it was 1944.

CCA: *When did you meet Cliff?*

JL: I met Cliff on a ski train going to St. Adèle in 1948; we courted for a couple of years and we were married March 4, 1949. We told Miss Halliday we would buy Oconto on May 24, 1949.

CCA: *Was this a longtime aspiration of yours - to own a camp?*

JL: We had wanted to buy a camp, yes; we realized this is what we wanted to do. We looked at another camp and were seriously considering it but we decided against it. I remember clearly the spring of 1949 - I loved Oconto so much and I wanted Cliff to see it and, of course, to love it as well. It poured rain the entire weekend - Zerata Slack and Dorothy Jackson, who had been teachers of mine in Physical Education, took us up to Oconto (Miss Halliday was not well enough to go) and I was convinced that Cliff couldn't like this place - muddy, pouring rain, a very dismal weekend. On the way home we couldn't talk because Zerata and Dorothy were in the car; finally when we got home I asked Cliff what he thought and he said "It looks like a really great place!" What a good feeling!

CCA: *What made Miss Halliday ready to sell Oconto?*

Photo Courtesy Camp Oconto

JL: She was caring for her mother who was quite ill at the time; her mother died in May of 1949. I think, though, that she felt she was ready to sell - she was 55 years old and had thought about it for quite some time. She had other people look at the camp and had openly talked to some of her own staff about taking over.

CCA: *Do you remember your very first application or your very first staff member you hired?*

JL: (pause) A name that does stand out is Alda Pallson; she was our music director and she was about the same age as I was. She was with us for 12 years - a beautiful girl from Iceland. Oh, I do remember our first camper - it was a girl by the name of Shirley Linnington and her sister Nedra. I remember visiting their home and their mother said: "My daughters said 'you'll really like her, Mom, because she's a suit lady just like you'."

CCA: *What was the camp's favourite activity back in '49 and '50?*

JL: The campers enjoyed swimming the most, because of the introduction of the Chapman Cup. Music and drama were popular also.

CCA: *What are some of the rules or traditions that stick out in your mind from the earlier days?*

JL: Girls, strangely enough, were allowed to smoke IN THEIR TENTS back in those years - I'm talking about girls on staff. We decided very soon that this wasn't a safe practice.

One tradition that we did keep for years which we have since dropped is the fact that every Counsellor was addressed as "Miss". Oconto was unique in this regard and because we've been teased - as you well know - many of our older staff did not want to give up this tradition. Every time the counsellors arrived at the beginning of each summer, I would ask them if they wanted to keep it or drop it; finally, about six years ago we had a large number of new staff who swung the vote to drop the title "miss".

One thing we did away with the very first year - there used to be a cup given for the Best All-Around Camper and I just couldn't live with that; we changed it out first year to a tribe Shield (camp has two tribes) and this was a fun thing, not a competitive thing; any silly little game or challenge earned points toward this shield; everyone worked together for this.

(Ed. note: see Editorial, page 3)

CCA: *Did you have many tests and awards and have you seen an increase or decrease?*

JL: Yes, we had many, but there has been a definite decrease. Tests are available, but they're not stressed or emphasized now. Younger kids, cubs or brownies ages, really do go after tests and badges, but it doesn't matter as much to the older girls. The skill level is perhaps as good or better than when they were motivated by badges.

CCA: *As far as "numbers" are concerned - have there been increases or decreases over the years?*

JL: We have held our numbers pretty constant over 30 years - that's one thing we haven't changed. We **have** changed the facilities though. There was some destruction from the force of two hurricanes - extremely bad storms; fortunately, no one was hurt in either one. Each storm lasted only five minutes.

CCA: *During the summer?*

JL: Yes, and they both swept through camp coincidentally on Sundays. The first storm took 18 tents, I believe, and we then constructed some cabins.

CCA: *Has riding always been an activity in Oconto?*

JL: Yes, Miss Halliday had horseback riding the first year of camp. Mr. Whitewood, who used to be on Pottery Road, supplied the horses. The one awards cup that we **have** kept is the Sonny Whitewood Riding Cup and there is a competition every year for that particular cup.

CCA: *When was your first association with the Ontario Camping Association?*

JL: I became involved with O.C.A. when I was in Phys. Ed. way back in 1939; the first meeting I remember was with Taylor Statten and the meeting was in the Phys. Ed. building at the University of Toronto. I remember he talked about counsellor training. From 1939 to 1944 I was kind of involved with O.C.A., but it wasn't until I was with the Y.W.C.A. in 1944 that I was involved on the O.C.A. Board.

CCA: *Who was the President at that time?*

JL: Charlie Plewman and then Arnold Ward.

CCA: *When did you first meet Barbara Gilchrist, the current President of O.C.A.?* **(Ed. note: Barbara Gilchrist is now the immediate Past President of O.C.A.).**

JL: When I was a counsellor at Glen Bernard, Barbara was a C.I.T. and John Gilchrist was a tripper at the camp.

CCA: *What is your earliest recollection of O.C.A. Standards?*

JL: I forget who was President, but I remember these fights and arguments over showers! We had a meeting at the Royal York Hotel and I remember A.L. Cochrane standing up and saying, "What's the matter with having showers? You can get a watering can and fill it full of water and pour it over somebody's head and call it a shower". I remember one camp pulling out of O.C.A. because of that.

CCA: *Because O.C.A. wanted to impose showers as a camp standard?*

JL: Yes, because the O.C.A. wanted showers in every camp and others thought you should have the freedom to soap up and dive into the lake. You must remember that no one had showers at all in those days. Clothes were washed in the lake; I remember all of us diving deep with our toothbrushes in our mouths to ensure we were getting fresh water!

CCA: *You have raised four children throughout your tenure as owner and director of Oconto. Has motherhood provided any difficulties or challenges to your directing?*

JL: I look back on those years as "fun" years, terrific years. I remember when Cliff was Chairman of the Conference Committee; I was nursing Scotty at the time and the Conference was at the King Edward Hotel. I remember dashing out to meet Annie (who took care of the children) in order to nurse Scott and then I'd dash back to my session. It's funny as I think about it. Another time, I can't remember which child it was, we had a reunion in Ottawa and I remember nursing at 10:00 a.m. - caught a plane immediately for Ottawa, went to the reunion and flew home in time for the 6:00 p.m. feeding. I thought that was pretty good!

CCA: *As your children grew up did they enjoy their camp experiences and where did the boys go?*

JL: The boys went to Blackie's camp mostly, Camp Mazinaw. Also, though, we sent them to Kandalore, Nominingue and Kilcoo. I think we believed a variety of experiences would be good for them. We chose people we knew within the Association, people we admired at that time and thought it would be good for the boys to be exposed to those people.

CCA: *How about Lisa, your daughter?*

JL: Lisa is seriously considering going into camping.

(Ed. note: Lisa Labbett is now Mrs. Bruce Wilson, Director of Camp Oconto.)

CCA: *Did Lisa grow up through the ranks at Oconto?*

JL: Yes, she did. You know, we always tried to send her to another camp; we would make plans and finally I can remember as a little girl, Lisa would say: "But Mom, summer camp is to go and have fun with your friends and my friends are at Camp Oconto." We always gave up and said "okay"; I felt rather badly at times, but it's worked out nicely and as Lisa got older she had some different experiences which certainly helped.

CCA: *What made Mary Edgar such a good Camp Director?*

JL: (pause) She loved children. It's that simple, she loved children. I remember her best on indian night because they have a real indian night at Glen Bernard; I had never been exposed to any kind of indian programme at Oconto so this was unique for me. My friends told me to wear a robe and dress a certain way and line up and then O-kee-makwah will come out of the woods. I didn't have a clue what was going to happen - but I remember Miss Edgar tripping down out of the trees and everyone saying chants and prayers. This was a very significant part of the programme and I grew to love it, respect it and understand it - Miss Edgar was very exceptional, yes.

CCA: *What were your favourite camp activities as a young girl?*

JL: I loved swimming and canoeing. I remember being forced to take drama in camp and I didn't like it; I never liked getting up in front of people and being on stage. I always loved canoe tripping - Tapawingo was exceptional because the trips went out onto Georgian Bay, which to me was like the ocean. I was a 23 year old counsellor and I often thought of this tremendous responsibility I had with these campers entrusted to my care. I think "maturity of judgement" is so important in leadership and it's such an intangible - we can pass leaders on their Bronze and so on, but how do you measure what's really important - maturity of judgement?

CCA: *Thank you very much, June.*

JL: You're very welcome, but have I said enough? ●

BOOK REVIEW

LEAD ON . . . COUNSELLOR!
INNOVATIVE IDEAS FOR
CAMP LEADERS

The 6th book from the presses of Camp Tawingo is dynamite. Four of Tawingo's staff - Jack Pearse, John Jorgenson, Jane McCutcheon and Pat Pearse - have collaborated on a book which is primarily a practical approach to camp leadership, designed to meet the needs of the person who is right on the firing line all summer . . . the camp counsellor!

Portions of the book deal with important concepts such as: What it takes to be a leader, the leadership role (where do we grow from here?), communication skills, the need for evaluation, philosophy of program, a counsellor's preparation for camp and the administration of the camper unit. But the big plus is a handy dandy chapter of program resource full of games and activities for any and all parts of a camper's day from en route and arrival activities, through outtrips and outdoor fun, to a closing campfire. Also included are program ideas for the first day, at rest hour, at the dining table, at bedtime, on the last day and every special time in between. This is definitely a super book for the back pocket of every camp counsellor's blue jeans. ●

NEW SHIPPING & BILLING POLICY

Following a recent cost/benefit analysis, the CCA/ACC Board adopted new policies for shipping and handling rates for all publication orders:

1. A flat rate* for shipping and handling (including 3rd class postage) will be applied.

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   Under $10.00 . . . . . $1.80 (Prepaid)
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   *Shipping and handling rates will be adjusted to reflect increased postage and wrapping supply costs when necessary.

2. Monthly interest of 2% will apply on overdue accounts.

President's Perspective

By: Jocelyn Palm

It's Spring!

An exciting time when camping people begin the serious and specific task of providing just the right staff member for each counselling job. Choosing the appropriate person for a role is always a challenge - one is never certain that the correct selection was made until the individual is seen in action. We definitely feel proud of ourselves when we see the choice was a good one.

As CCA/ACC President, I have been especially fortunate in the selection by all Provincial Associations of three excellent Vice Presidents: **George Matthews** represents Atlantic Canada; **Jane McCutcheon** represents Québec and Ontario and **Gary Luthy** has the formidable task to speak on behalf of Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and B.C. The respective Provincial Presidents should ensure that the views of their province are put forward by their Vice President.

The selection of **Jan James** (Alberta) as CCA/ACC Secretary is proving to be a wise decision. Jan's knowledge of Canadian Camping is invaluable and she also keeps the meetings on track. **George Ross** (Ontario) is a real bonus to CCA/ACC and to the National Office. George is a C.A. and is our CCA/ACC Treasurer. **Cliff Labbett** provides valuable input in his capacity of Past President. His experience is most helpful.

Eileen Mayotte (Sask.) chairs the Archives Committee. **Dorothy Walter** (Ont.) is the Education Chairman and working to develop a scheme for professional development of camping people across Canada. **Rick Ryan** (B.C.) has already completed a major task with his report from the Funding Committee. This document will be discussed at the CCA/ACC Annual Meeting in Saskatoon, May 1st. **Marnie Ellis** (Qué.) is gearing up her Public Relations and Promotions Committee for a Workshop in Toronto prior to the '82 Congress. **Linda Arnold** (B.C.) chairs the Research Committee which is investigating projects to be undertaken by the Association. **Jay Haddad** (Ont.) is to be congratulated for this terrific new format of the Newsletter. **Wendy Wren, Judy Richards** and **Beth Moon** (Ont.) have put a concentrated effort into vitalizing the Publications Service and each hopes you will promote the sale of CCA books when and where possible. **Dinny Biggs** (Ont.) has already reported to you concerning Leadership Development opportunities (see last issue of Canadian Camping). Dinny has information to share amongst the provinces and you should take advantage of these options. **Peter Rasberry** (Ont.) is developing a CCA/ACC position with respect to Environmental Issues. **Rosaire Corbin** (Qué.) chairs the French Language Committee and we are constantly seeking his input in order to develop an adequate picture of the French Language members of CCA/ACC.

The CCA/ACC Task Forces each have useful projects. **John Latimer** (Ont.) is leader of the mammoth undertaking which will result in the 1983 International Camping Congress. We are fortunate to have such an able leader and offer John every support and encouragement. John has been a CCA ambassador in many countries and I want him to know we are all anxious to assist him in every way. **Derek Walsh** (Qué.) is investigating the realities of publishing a Canadian Camping Magazine. **Brian Law** (Man.) has agreed to review Standards in each province and to convene a Workshop in 1983 which will compare and analyze these Standards. **Wayne Perkins** (Alta.) is developing a National Consultation and Speakers' Bureau. **Barry Lowes** (Ont.) continues to monitor and represent the CCA/ACC membership to the Federal Ministry of Employment and Immigration. **Ivan Robinson** (Ont.) is designing a plan for an annual workshop for the CCA/ACC Executive and Board. **Jack Pearse** (Ont.) has agreed to pursue a study of the possibilities of a CCA/ACC National Conference in 1985. **Janet Adamson** (Ont.) will be investigating the feasibility of CCA/ACC selling products in order to shore up our financial situation.

Marjorie Booth, CCA/ACC Executive Director does a superb job of gathering this volunteer force into a useful and manageable group. Marjorie along with **Mary Roy,** CCA/ACC Office Administrator, provide us with an efficient national office.

You can see that this is an impressive list of selected individuals. I think each is an excellent choice for the specific role. I was especially encouraged to find people eager to be involved in CCA/ACC. When I contacted the Committee and Task Force Chairmen, each said 'yes' to the request. As the President of CCA/ACC, one could not ask for better support. We all look forward to representing you as these projects materialize. ●

Western Region News

Manitoba can boast a terrific new newsletter! MCA is combining efforts with local CCI members to produce a very complete newsletter. Look forward to seeing reprints of some articles in future issues of *Canadian Camping.*

Terry Burkhalter, MCA President, says that plans are underway to carry on the "Manitoba Sunshine Fund" to send children to camp. MCA is preparing information on how this kind of fund could be set up in your province. Contact Terry at the MCA Office for your free copy.

Saskatchewan's new Acting President is Dave Godwin, staff member at John Bosco Camp. Dave has represented SCA at CCA/ACC Board before; he is now marshalling the forces of a small but effective group of volunteers as they plan a training event for SCA members in conjunction with the CCA/ACC Board Meeting, April 30, May 1-2. Keep up the good work!

Alberta elected a new President at their annual conference. Michael Kenny is a transplanted Newfoundlander who is responsible for the Outdoor Recreation Programs of the Calgary Parks & Recreation Dept. Jean Funk, Past President, announced that she is unable to complete her term as Past President since she is leaving for extended trip to Asia in April. Best of luck Jean - remember to promote the Congress.

Several new faces on the ACA Board indicate great leadership and terrific music ability in the association!!

Lorne Bowering, President of BCCA, and Rick Ryan, Past President, provided warm hospitality during Marjorie Booth's recent visit. The BCCA Executive are enthusiastically planning their upcoming Counsellor Training event. CCA/ACC will assist with all travel funds from our Consultant/Advisor Project. (See last issue: Planning Workshop Report.) Ken Low will share leadership at this event about his generic learning model and Trials Walking. Lorne Bowering is also working diligently on plans for MCA Camp Elphinstone's 75th Anniversary Celebration on May 22, 1982. ● *By Gary Luthy*

Central Region News

The ACQ Conference was the scene of a national Executive Meeting in Laval, Québec. At this time, members of the Executive were interviewed by a writer for the *Globe and Mail* for a national article on Choosing a Camp for your child to be carried in the June 1982 issue *Lifestyles.* Watch for this issue and be ready for increase inquiries for provincial directories.

Jocelyn Palm presented Miss Frances Kelly, former secretary of the English Section of the Quebec Camping Association, with a CCA/ACC Certificate of Appreciation. Although Miss Kelly was honoured in Quebec, her long service to the camping movement was recognized by the CCA/ACC Board.

Ontario members are busy planning their multitude of theme workshops/courses for this spring. (See last issue: Leadership/Skill Development Opportunities.) The OCA Annual Meeting will be held April 27, 1982 followed closely by their one day Counsellors Conference.

Some special anniversaries in the Central Region are:
(Ont) Glen Bernard Camp - 60 years
(Qué) Camp Ouareau - 60 years ●

By Jane McCutcheon

Photo Courtesy Camp Gay Venture

Eastern Region News

Kevin Moore, NLCA President seems very busy these days! The camps in Newfoundland & Labrador are busy hiring camp staff for the summer and arranging training events around the province.

George Matthews, CANS President, says that plans are rolling along . . . CANS just received a NS government grant to revise "Canoe Routes of Nova Scotia." These 5 month employees should be able to assist camps with combined program standards visitation. That's great news for all the member camps in Nova Scotia.

Debbie Cooper has just completed a two-year term as President of the New Brunswocl Camping Association. Ian Fowler is the new President and will begin his term with a regional tour, sponsored by a NB government grant. He hopes to have a clearer idea of the needs of their member camps to design their action plan for the next year. Good luck to the new executive and many thanks to Debbie for her leadership! ●

By George Matthews

Five top managerial skills

There are five fundamental skills that effective executives (camp directors) use when dealing with staff.

- *Listening* - Thoroughly understanding what your employee says and letting your employee knwo it.
- *Assertion* - Maintaining authority without pulling rank or bullying your staff.
- *Conflict resolution* - Promoting co-operation through active solicitation of problem-solving ideas.
- *Collaborative decision making* - Making decisions and drawing up solutions in a manner that makes everyone involved feel like a winner.
- *Skill selection* - Choosing the people with the right skills for each task or problem. ●

POEM
ONE SOLITARY LIFE

He was born in an obscure village,
the child of a peasant woman. He grew
up in still another village, where
he worked in a carpenter shop until
he was thirty. Then for three
years he was an itinerant
preacher. He never wrote a book.
He never held an office. He never
had a family or owned a house, He
didn't go
to college. He never visited a big city.

He never travelled two hundred miles from
the place where he was born,
He did none of the things one
usually associates with greatness.
He had no credentials but himself.
He was only thirty-three when
the tide of public opinion turned
against him. His friends ran away.
He was turned over to his enemies
and
went through the mockery of
a trial. He was nailed to a cross
between two thieves. While
He was dying, his executioners
gambled
for his clothing, the only property
He had on earth. When he
was dead, he was laid in a borrowed
grave through the pity of a friend.
Nineteen centuries have come and gone and
today he is the central figure
of the human race and the
leader of mankind's progress. All
the armies that ever marched, all
the
navies that ever sailed, and all the
parliaments
that ever sat, all the kings that ever
reigned.
put together, have not affected the
life of man on this earth as much
as that -
ONE SHORT AND SOLITARY LIFE.

The Great Canadian Canoe Exposition

by: Michael Hatton

Camp directors looking for program ideas with respect to canoeing and crafts should take note of The Great Canadian Canoe Exposition being hosted by Harbourfront in Toronto this June 12th and 13th. The program is a unique blend of a variety of activities designed to expand public awareness, interest in, and knowledge with respect to canoeing in Canada.

Many of the activities are unique to this show. For example, there will be craftsmen building wood and canvas canoes, birchbark canoes, carving paddles, working on stripper canoes, and laying fibreglass and kevlar. Everything from bending stem bands to stretching canvas will take place in full view of spectators. All the builders welcome questions and the free exchange of ideas and techniques.

Canoe Ontario's Paddlecade Program will be demonstrating canoe techniques in the pool, and wheelchair kayakers will be showing off with Eskimo rolls. Films and speakers are scheduled throughout the weekend. For example: Tom Linklater of the Ministry of Natural Resources will be demonstrating the most efficient way to pack a pack; Omar Stringer will be displaying his unique canoeing technique; Jamie Benedickson will be discussing the historical evolution of the canoe; Bill Mason's films will be shown in the theatre.

A number of exhibits from the Kanawa International Canoe Museum will be brought to Harbourfront for the weekend, and a group from "Ste. Marie Among the Hurons (a reconstructed 16th century Jesuit mission) will build an historical display on the site. Canoe manufacturers will be exhibiting a wide range of canoes, and representatives from several retail stores will be demonstrating the use of canoe and canoe related camping accessories.

A highlight of this year's show will be an exhibit of photographic art designed to visually portray Canadian Canoe Country. As well, there will be a Voyageur Rendezvous of North Canoes, complete with tumplining races, pipelighting contests, and tug-of-war exhibitions.

For camp directors, canoeing instructors, and counsellors, this show is a great place to pick up ideas and meet some people who have very unique skills. The show is free, so be sure to take note of the date, June 12th and 13th at Harbourfront, 235 Queen's Quay West in Toronto. For further information contact The Great Canadian Canoe Exposition at (416) 424-6787. ●

NATIONAL PHOTO CONTEST!

Look for information in the next issue - Summer '82

Why Get Ill From Foods?

You probably know somebody, perhaps a whole family, who has suffered from distressing attacks of nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, stomach pains. If not, perhaps you have read newspaper reports of such miserable experiences coming as a sequel to a wedding breakfast, a picnic or a church supper. Or you may have heard of deaths due to a rare form of food poisoning known as "botulism."

Outbreaks of illness of this kind are nearly always recognized as food poisoning caused by certain bacteria.

How bacteria cause food poisoning

Many kinds of bacteria can grow in foods if the foods are kept warm enough and contain enough moisture. Only a few can cause illness. They do this in one of two ways: (1) When food is eaten after bacteria have had a chance to multiply in it, a sufficient number of them may be present to overcome our "natural defences." The bacteria invade the tissues lining the stomach and intestines. This causes inflammation which leads to abdominal pains, vomiting, diarrhea, perhaps fever. The enteric-fever group of bacteria behave in this way. The best-known ones in this country are the Salmonellae. (2) Other bacteria may produce poisonous substances called "toxins" as they grow in foods. Being tasteless, the toxins cannot be detected when eaten. The toxin formed by the Staphylococcus bacteria causes nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, prostration. It can develop in many different kinds of foods.

The bacteria responsible for botulism produce a toxin that causes a form of paralysis which may lead to death. Fortunately, this has been a rare disease. The botulism bacteria grow best in foods from which air is excluded. Most cases of botulism result from the toxin that forms in improperly processed home-canned foods. There are a few cases on record of deaths from botulism resulting from improper processing of commercially prepared foods, but in general no safer food can be found than those which have been canned commercially. A few other bacteria can produce toxins but they are of less importance than the two already named.

What must happen before a food can cause bacterial food poisoning?

Before a food can cause food poisoning of bacterial origin, these things must have happened:

1 The food must have become contaminated by the right kinds of bacteria. The usual avenues of contamination are: the use of unpasteurized milk or dairy products when preparing other foods (Staphylococci often are present in the cow's udder and survive in unpasteurized milk products); the use of uninspected meat from diseased animals; preparation of foods in unsanitary factories or in a dirty kitchen; handling with unwashed hands or by people suffering from infected cuts or "boils", bad coughs, diarrhea; exposure to flies, rats, mice or other vermin, or to dust.
2 After contamination, the bacteria must have had a chance to multiply and the toxin producers must have had time to produce toxin.
3 Dangerous bacteria only grow and produce toxin if:
   (a) the food is a suitable kind and is moist enough;
   (b) the food is kept at temperatures higher than 40° Fahrenheit;
   (c) the food remains at temperatures warmer than 40°F for four hours or more.

How to keep foods free from the risk of bacterial food poisoning?

To keep foods safe from the threat of bacterial food poisoning they must be given proper care from production source to the table. This involves the producer, the factory, the distributor, the retail store, and most of all - you in the camp kitchen.

The officers of the Food and Drug Directorate of the Department of National Health and Welfare, in collaboration with other Government agencies, food producers, manufacturers and retailers, continuously try to assure that Canada's foods as offered for sale are safe and wholesome. But the consumer must do his part from there on.

If the camp cook attends to the simple rules listed below she will do much to reduce the risk of food poisoning.

1 When thawing foods - always cover - if possible thaw 24 hours in refrigerator.
2 Buy from reputable dealers: Patronize only clean stores.
3 Ask for meat that bears an official stamp of Government Approval.
4 Remember that vacuum-packaged meat is perishable and must be kept refrigerated.
5 Do not buy foods supposed to be frozen but which are thawed.
6 After marketing, place frozen foods in the freezer compartment of your refrigerator or in a deep-freeze unit until ready for use.
7 Do not allow foods to go through a "thaw-freeze-thaw" sequence.
8 Heat pre-cooked frozen foods, like meat pies, meat patties, all portioned control meats etc., also stuffed poultry, at a high enough temperature (350°) not to just warm up.
9 After preparing foods containing eggs, meat, milk, gravy, salads with dressing: serve them within two hours or else refrigerate.
10 Refrigerate "left-overs" from prepared dishes within an hour and keep refrigerated until re-serving or re-heating.
11 Do not prepare sandwiches or "picnic" dishes, buffet luncheons, etc., more than four hours before they will be eaten unless you refrigerate the foods.
12 Avoid making up sandwiches if you have infected cuts or a bad cough.
13 If canning foods: (a) Always follow professional directions carefully; (b) Never can non-acid foods such as meat, fish, meat-vegetable mixtures, soups, or non-acid vegetables like beans, peas, asparagus, corn, etc., unless a pressure-cooker, properly attended, is used.
14 Do not eat foods tht have an "off" flavour or "off" colour.
15 Keep everything about your kitchen **clean.**
16 If you or anyone in your camp think you have suffered food poisoning, report it immediately to a local health agency. Call a doctor if the illness is severe.

Proper refrigeration of perishable foods (other than fresh fruit and vegetables) is the most important way to avoid food poisoning. At camps we can help reduce food poisoning a great deal by attending to this.

Remember, cooking of foods gives no guarantee of safety! Cooking temperatures will kill most bacteria, but the staphylococcus toxins will not be destroyed. You must prevent the bacteria from having opportunity to produce their poisons in food. ●

IF WE BECAME LOST IN THE WOODS, HOW LONG COULD WE GO WITHOUT REAL FOOD?
I'LL BET WE COULD GO FOR A MONTH WITHOUT REAL FOOD
HOW ABOUT JUNK FOOD?
ELEVEN MINUTES!
SCHULZ

Attention Program Directors!

Here's a wonderful summer activity idea for kids...

OWL, the Canadian magazine for children, has announced an Airplane building contest for children 13 years of age or younger as of August 16, 1982. The contest is divided into two categories and children can enter their planes in either one or both of them. Category I is "paper" Airplanes, and category II is "Anything goes" Airplanes. Children are allowed help with their designs but must build their plane(s) themselves. All entries must be postmarked before August 16, 1982.

Ten winners will be chosen from across Canada to take part in a weekend of flying fun in Toronto in September 1982.

This is an ideal summer program activity for kids who love to fly! To help the kids you know take part, look for complete information in the March 1982 issue of **OWL** Magazine on your newsstand or at your library.

Or send $1.25 to **OWL** Magazine
59 Front Street East, Toronto, M5E 1B3.

Photo Courtesy Glen Bernard Camp

GROUP DYNAMICS EXERCISE

Lost At Sea

The following exercise is a good one because it can be used effectively with campers as young as 8 and 9 years, as well as older campers, CIT's and Counsellors.

Firstly, hand out the *Lost At Sea Individual Worksheet* and read out the instructions. Allow everyone about 5 minutes to INDIVIDUALLY complete the exercise by rank ordering the 15 items.

The next step is the placement of individuals into groups; groups of four five or six are ideal. Give each group an unused sheet - the *Lost At Sea Individual Worksheet;* the challenge now, through group consensus, is to pool each individual's results and rank order the 15 items AS A GROUP! This part of the exercise can take anywhere from 30 minutes to two hours. Conflict and arguments are important - individuals should not 'gang up' on others to sway opinion; there should not be voting or majority rules. Consensus is defined as "a general feeling of agreement"; each item should be 'talked out' until everyone feels comfortable with it. This is the most important process of the exercise; the leader should 'float' from group to group to offer alternative suggestions and assistance with conflict (eg. if a group is bogged down with number 4, suggest that they shift to number 15 and work up).

Once the groups have completed this portion of the exercise, the leader can now read out the "correct" answers, numbers one through fifteen, as determined by the U.S. Merchant Marines. Since there are "correct" answers, each group can mark the group score. This is done by putting the correct rank order in the margin beside each item; upon completion of all 15 items, add up the differences between the group's answers and the "correct" answers. As in golf, the lower the score or difference, the better. (There are rationales or explanations for all 15 items, as you can see from the *Lost At Sea Answer and Rationale Sheet.)*

Two principles of group consensus are:

1) The group score should always be better than each individual score
2) Conflict is a necessary ingredient toward creativity.

After you have completed this exercise, it may be useful to discuss why one group did well and one did not. Who took over as the leader of the group? Was everyone allowed to speak equally? If not, why not? Did the consensus procedure work?

The importance here is that the participants should be learning more about communicating - about listening to others, defending points of view, resolving conflict and differences of opinion, understanding leadership and leadership qualities and, most of all, beginning to understand a little more about how we function in groups.

Photo Courtesy Kilcoo Camp

LOST AT SEA INDIVIDUAL WORKSHEET

Instructions: You are adrift on a private yacht in the South Pacific. As a consequence of a fire of unknown origin, much of the yacht and its contents have been destroyed. The yacht is now slowly sinking. Your location is unclear because of the destruction of critical navigational equipment and because you and the crew were distracted trying to bring the fire under control. Your best estimate is what you are approximately one thousand miles south-southwest of the nearest land.

Below is a list of fifteen items that are intact and undamaged after the fire. In addition to these articles, you have a serviceable, rubber life raft with oars large enough to carry yourself, the crew, and all the items listed below. The total contents of all survivors' pockets are a package of cigarettes, several books of matches, and five one-dollar bills.

Your task is to rank the fifteen items below in terms of their importance to your survival. Place the number 1 by the most important item, the number 2 by the second most important, and so on through number 15 the least important.

_ Sextant
_ Shaving mirror
_ Five-gallon can of water
_ Mosquito netting
_ One case of U.S. Army C rations
_ Maps of the Pacific Ocean
_ Seat cushion (flotation device approved by the Coast Guard)
_ Two-gallon can of oil-gas mixture
_ Small transistor radio
_ Shark repellent
_ Twenty square feet of opaque plastic
_ One quart of 160-proof Puerto Rican rum
_ Fifteen feet of nylon rope
_ Two boxes of chocolate bars
_ Fishing kit

LOST AT SEA
ANSWER AND RATIONALE SHEET

According to the "experts," the basic supplies needed when a person is stranded in mid ocean are articles to attract attention and articles to aid survival *until rescuers arrive.* Articles for navigation are of little importance; Even if a small life raft were capable of reaching land, it would be impossible to store enough food and water to subsist during that period of time. Therefore, of primary importance are the shaving mirror and the two-gallon can of oil-gas mixture. These items could be used for signaling air-sea rescue. Of secondary importance are items such as water and food, e.g., the case of Army C rations.

A brief rationale is provided for the ranking of each item. These brief explanations obviously do not represent all of the potential users for the specified items but, rather, the primary importance of each.

1-Shaving mirror
Critical for signaling air-sea rescue.

2-Two-gallon can of oil-gas mixture
Critical for signaling - the oil-gas mixture will float on the water and could be ignited with a dollar bill and a match (obviously, outside the raft).

3-Five-gallon can of water
Necessary to replenish loss by perspiring, etc.

4-One case of U.S. Army C rations
Provides basic food intake.

5-Twenty square feet of opaque plastic
Utilized to collect rain water, provide shelter from the elements.

6-Two boxes of chocolate bars
A reserve food supply.

7-Fishing kit
Ranked lower than the candy bars because "one bird in the hand is worth two in the bush." There is no assurance that you will catch any fish.

8-Fifteen feet of nylon rope
May be used to lash equipment together to prevent it from falling overboard.

9-Floating seat cushion
If someone fell overboard, it could function as a life preserver.

10-Shark repellent
Obvious.

11-One qt. of 160-proof Puerto Rican rum
Contains 80 percent alcohol - enough to use as a potential antiseptic for any injuries incurred; of little value otherwise; will cause dehydration if ingested.

12-Small transistor radio
Of little value since there is no transmitter (unfortunately, you are out of range of your favorite AM radio stations).

13-Maps of the Pacific Ocean
Worthless without additional navigational equipment - it does not really matter where you are but where the rescuers are.

14-Mosquito netting
There are no mosquitoes in the mid Pacific.

15-Sextant
Without tables and a chronometer, relatively useless.

The basic rationale for ranking signaling devices above life-sustaining items (food and water) is that without signaling devices there is almost no chance of being spotted and rescued. Furthermore, most rescues occur during the first thirty-six hours, and one can survive without food and water during this period. ●

Blackflies!

By: J.H. Ebbs, M.D., F.R.C.P.

A report in the Medical Post (February 1980) adds to the knowledge about reactions to bites from this insect. It causes much irritation during spring and early summer in some camping regions. It breds in shallow running water.

There are 76 known species in Canada and the U.S.A. Some types feed only on humans, some on animals and some on birds. They can carry diseases to animals and birds. They are attracted to humans by the carbon dioxide and water vapour in the breath.

They bite at partially covered areas - the wrists, ankles, neck, scalp and waist.

When the fly bites it deposits a small amount of fluid into the skin which acts as an anaesthetic and also keeps the blood from clogging while being sucked by the insect.

There are 4 known human types which cause skin reactions and sometimes general reactions in the body. Victims who have severe reactions should report to a doctor as soon as possible for treatment and later be desensitized.

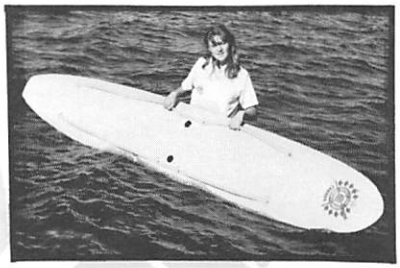
Prevention of bites is effective if the following are done in the blackfly season when going into infested areas:

1. Cover as much of the skin as possible.
2. Wear light-coloured clothes with tight neck, wrists and ankles.
3. Use a proven insect repellent and apply it frequently. ●

Photo Courtesy Glen Bernard Camp

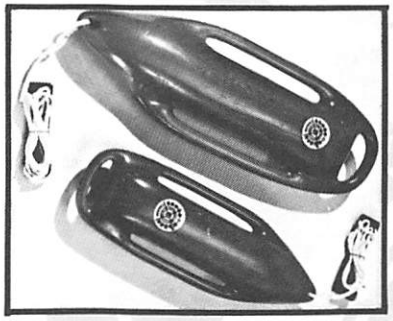
SAFETY EQUIPMENT

from
The Royal Life Saving Society Canada



PADDLEBOARD

This moulded fibreglass styrofoam filled board is a proven design utilized for rescue world-wide. The plastic covered piping provides hand grips along the length of the board. The tapered keel gives manoeuverability and stability. Textured upper surface maximizes control by rescuers. This eleven-foot, bright safety yellow Paddleboard is fast, efficient and a must at any open water area. Ideal for rescue, teaching and play.



RESCUE CANS

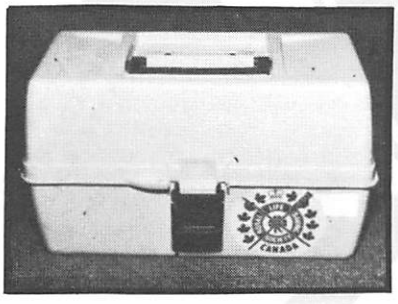
These Rescue Cans were designed by professional lifeguards working year-round on the coast of California. Rescue Cans are employed in over 30,000 rescues per year in North America.

This ideal towing aid of polyethylene has: moulded hand grips, attached towing line and shoulder loop. The can requires no maintenance and is soft enough to be safe in all situations. Colour: brilliant orange. Two sizes: 26" long (sufficient flotation for pool rescues and most waterfront situations) and 34" long (for surf beaches).

PFD – WINDSAIL VEST

Federal Government regulations require an approved PFD or life jacket be worn by board sailors. This PFD is made of flexible Supersoft Buoyancy Foam with extra deep arm, neck and waist cutouts for complete freedom of movement, finished with strong non-chafing vinyl piping.

Includes a unique self-supporting harness assembly with adjustable stainless steel hook tested to 1,000 lbs psi break strength. Strong 2" webbing with SR-2 buckle/adjusters. Non-corrosive vision zipper. Colour: gold and red, with a bright blue lining. Available in sizes S, M and L. Department of Transport, Canada Approved PFD.



FIRST AID KITS

Every pool and beach is required to have a suitable first aid kit. The RLSSC kit is designed by lifeguards who have had an opportunity to deal with many real emergencies.

Comes in metal or plastic water-resistant container. Contents include: St. John Ambulance First Aid Manual, safety pins, bandaids, gauze pads (3x3), gauze rolls, triangular bandages, pressure dressings, roll of flannel bandage, adhesive tape (2 sizes), tensor bandage, scissors, tweezers, tongue depressors, cotton swabs, antiseptic spray. Refills also available.

AUDIOPACK

A new portable PA system that projects your voice in full circle, loud and clear up to a block away. Audiopack gives hands-free camp communication. At 6½ pounds, you'll find it lightweight and comfortable to wear. Equipped with a quick fastening Velcro belt and fully adjustable shoulder harness. The Audiopack operates in all kinds of weather. Full system includes: amplifier unit, microphone, rechargeable 24-volt Nickel Cadmium battery pack, velcro waist belt, shoulder harness, battery charger and zippered vinyl carrying case.

For further information and a free catalogue with the full line of Safety Equipment offered by The RLSSC, please call (416) 966-5126 or write The Royal Life Saving Society Canada, 64 Charles Street East, Toronto, Ontario M4Y 1T1.

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TORONTO, CANADA — JANUARY 26-29 JANVIER 1983

We're moving! Yes, plans and support for the first International Camping Congress are moving along at a very encouraging and exciting pace.

Sir Edmund Hillary will be addressing delegates at the opening session on January 26, and Dr. Leo Buscalgia, one of America's most inspiring speakers will address the Closing Banquet on January 29.

Frankly, your programme committee is somewhat surprised at the number of people who have already indicated they will be speakers and session leaders. These include: Bruce Werber from the Colorado Outdoor Education Center for the Handicapped; Barbara Hertell, Youth Programmes Alberta Forest Service; Bryce Taylor, one of Canada's most significant authorities on Indian Lore and Culture; Dr. Hedley Dimock, Steve Van Matre; Dr. Betty van der Smissen (President of the American Camping Association); Chuck Kujawa (Incoming President, American Camping Association); Nelson Weiters; Ron Johnstone; Barry Lowes; Bruno Morawetz; Brian Law; Kirk Wipper; Ken Low; Bill Mason; & Richard Underwood (N.A.S.A.)

Two speakers from outside of North America have also committed themselves - one from Tokyo and another from New Delhi, India.

And there are so many more from whom we have yet to hear.

As far as support is concerned, the fund-raising committee will soon be writing to every member of C.C.A. for a request for financial help - help which will be used to assist delegates from outside North America to attend our Congress. The Department of External Affairs, Ottawa, have just sent information to 32 different Countries throughout the world, seeking their participation.

The Society of Camp Directors have donated $1,500.00. In addition, each member of the Society is also being asked to match that grant by donating $19.83 (1983). The Protocol Office of the Ontario Government has given us a grant, and the Nova Scotia Camping Association has also sent a cheque for the committee to use as it sees fit.

The Estate of Flora Morrison has donated a sizeable amount in memory of one of Ontario's camping leaders, and the Camp Services Co-Op has donated $2,000.00.

So we are on our way! Manitoba has indicated they hope to have 60-75 delegates, and in Saskatchewan, they are even talking about chartering their own buses to get to Toronto.

The Congress Committee will have representatives at the American Camping Association Convention in New York, where we will have a booth to tell everyone about our exciting plans. Word is getting around - and we hope everyone in C.C.A. will help to spread the message.

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Menu Feature

PIZZA

Crust - T Bisk
(5 lbs. makes 3 pans of crust, 15 x 21)

Note: Roll enough dough for ½ pan, then another ½ and press together.

A 10 oz. can of pizza sauce covers 4 pans

Sprinkle on top - cut up weiners, grated parmesan cheese, grated mozerella cheese, pineapple, green peppers, onions.

LEMON SQUARES
(serves 100)

16 cups graham wafers
2 cups margarine
2 cups brown sugar
Mix together and divide into 2 pans (15 x 20)
Bake at 325° for 8-10 minutes

Pour ½ of the following mixture into each pan:
10 cups lemon mix eg. E.D. Smith pudding and pie
5 cups cold water
20 cups hot water
8 eggs
5 tablespoons margarine

From Cathy Russell, Circle R Ranch, Delaware, Ontario.

BEEF SAURBRAETEN
(for 120 people)

30 beef cut in strips
15 tbsp. Margarine
2 cups brown gravy mix (plus 2 cups flour)
30 cups water
1 cup instant onion flakes
2 cups white vinegar
2 cups brown sugar
7 tsp. salt
4 tsp. pepper
7 tsp. ginger
15 tsp. Worchestershire Sauce
1 bay leaf

Brown meat, remove from pan . . . add gravy mix, flour and water and bring to a boil . . . stir constantly . . . add remaining ingredients and meat . . . cover and simmer for 1½ hrs. Serve with noodles.

MINCEMEAT BARS
(makes one 15 x 24 pan - 48 squares)

2 cups margarine
4 cups brown sugar
8 eggs
4 tsp. vanilla
6 cups flour
2 tsp. baking powder
2 tsp. salt
1 tsp. baking soda
4 cups mincemeat

Optional . . . sprinkle top with icing sugar.

From Jean West and Lois Steed, Camp Tawingo, Huntsville, Ontario.

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This will be a significant event, for it will be the first time that Camp Directors and Youth Leaders from around the World will be invited to gather together to share their knowledge and experience in organized camping. We will have the opportunity to meet and hear speakers of International renown. As well, as hope that delegates from all across Canada and the United States will be meeting with representatives from many European and Asian Countries as well as Africa, Australia, South America and Japan.

Although we expect a record registration, additional funds will be required to cover the tremendous costs of bringing well known resource speakers to Toronto. In addition to this, many delegates might need some financial assistance to make the journey to Canada, as their agencies or sponsors operate on minimal budgets.

We have therefore launched a fund-raising drive to cover these additional costs. We hope to receive substantial donations from several large foundations, as well as Industry and Government.

However in good faith, we are also hoping to raise a significant sum from within our own membership. We are asking for your support, not only as a delegate, but also in the form of a small financial contribution. If every member made a donation, we would be able to assist many delegates from outside of North America to attend our Congress – thereby enhancing the quality and prestige of this unique meeting. Truly, this could become a Congress of International value.

Every member who makes a donation . . . whether it be $5.00, $20.00 or even $100.00 will be acknowledged in our printed programme material. It is hoped that we may proudly exhibit a very long list of donors!

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